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Cervical Cancer Screening
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) the present status of screening for cervical cancer under the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP);

(b) whether the Government is implementing any project regarding cervical PAP smear and cytological training for doctors as well as paramedical staff;

(c) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of training centres set up for the purpose and the number of personnel being trained there, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to introduce HPV test under the cervical cancer screening programme to make it affordable in the country and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)
(a) to (d): Govt. of India is implementing prevention and control of cancer activities under National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS). NCD clinics established under NPCDCS are envisaged to carry out screening of common Cancer at District Hospitals and Community Health Centres. The focus is on three sites namely breast, cervical and oral Cancer.
Under the said programme, screening guidelines for cervical cancer by Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid (VIA) technique have been provided to State Governments for implementation.
At present there is no proposal to introduce HPV test under the programme.